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Hon. Stephen C. Bragaw and Mr. Edward L. Stewart to Practice Law Together Under the Style and Firm Name of Bragaw & Stewart—Both Men as Honor to Their Profession.

The Daily News takes pleasure in announcing that Hon. Stephen C. Bragaw and Mr. Edward L. Stewart have formed a partnership for the practice of law in Washington.

No firm of lawyers ever began the practice under more auspicious circumstances and the News joins their many friends in predicting for them a brilliant success.

Mr. Bragaw the senior member of the firm is too well known to need a special mention. He has been one of the leaders of the bar of Eastern North Carolina for the past ten years and no member of his profession stands higher. He has the reputation of being not only one of the most reliable advisers, but in the most of cases, we doubt if he has a superior, an eloquent and convincing speaker he has established a reputation not surpassed by that of any other lawyer in North Carolina. Mr. Bragaw has a large clientele and has for many years represented many of the largest and most substantial interests in the county. His reputation and ability as a public speaker have caused him to be in demand all over the state. As a public officer, in the Senate, as mayor, and in other positions he has won a credit and an honor to his people, and the people of Washington and Beaufort County are proud of him and the reputation he has made.

Mr. Edward L. Stewart, the junior member of the firm is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and of the law department of that institution.

He is a young man of unusual ability, well equipped as a lawyer, urbane and polite, and has a most promising future. He is active and energetic and has made a great progress since he came to the bar as any man of his age in the state.

Mr. Stewart, like the senior member of the firm, has that gift of eloquence that will make him one of the finest advocates of his profession in the state. We doubt of any man of his age in the state has been more often called upon to make addresses and we know that there are none who are his superiors.

It is a strong firm—both the lawyers, good business men, and eloquent advocates.

The Washington bar has ever been noted for its men of ability. Both prior and after the war North Carolina has never known a bar more intelligent, able, or competent to take care of its clients.

Both members of the firm of Bragaw and Stewart are well known, not only in this county but throughout this eastern section.

Both at the zenith of usefulness and influence no legal firm has ever begun the practice of their profession under more inviting environments.

The firm of Bragaw and Stewart

RIVER STILL MAD UP TO THE HOUSE

Damage Nearly \$5,000,000 and Water Rising

RAILROADS IS HAMPERED

At Some Points Train Service is Entirely Discontinued—Houses Have Been Swept Away But as Yet no Lives Have Been Reported Lost—Water Still Rising.

Wheeling, W. Va., Jan. 31.—Damage estimated at close to \$5,000,000 has already been caused by the flood in the Ohio valley and the water was still rising today. The crest is expected to reach in a few days.

Part of the low land section is under water and merchants are moving their goods to the upper floors. Railroad traffic is badly hampered. Freight cars have been swept away and bridges have destroyed large sections of track. Conditions are especially bad at Morgantown and Clarksville.

At some points train service is entirely discontinued. Many houses have been swept away, but so far as known no lives have been lost.

It is an honor to the profession and they have the brightest prospects. The Daily News extends congratulations.

BENEFIT PERFORMANCE AT GEM THEATRE FRIDAY

Friday night February 3rd, the Gem Theatre will give a benefit for the Volunteer Hose Team No. 1. They have a very attractive program arranged. Special music will be furnished by Forbes Orchestra, together with this they have scheduled solos, and songs.

This is for a most worthy cause and something that the people of Washington should patronize as the fire boys are trying to raise some necessary funds that are needed.

Don't forget the date and be on hand as the pictures for that night are special for the occasion and the prices remain the same.

NOTED SPEAKER TO BE HEARD

The Doctors and the Womens' Betterment Association as well as the Womens' Christian Temperance Union, are endeavoring to have Dr. J. N. McCormack, deliver an address in Washington on Saturday night, February 4th.

Washington would be fortunate to have so distinguished a lecturer and it is to be hoped that the efforts of these respective organizations be successful in their efforts. If Dr. McCormack is secured a rich treat awaits all who hear him.

RECEIVING CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. Ben Griffin, the efficient night policeman, is today receiving the congratulations of his many friends. He appeared on the streets yesterday wearing a broad smile. The cause of it all was the coming of two bright and interesting twin girls. May they ever be the sunshine and happiness of this home.

TO DECIDE WHERE EXPOSITION WILL BE HELD

German Syndicate File Deeds With Department

BOTH CITIES MAKE FIGHT SHOULD BE IGNORED

The Exposition to be settled by the House Today—Each Side gives 20 Minutes to Present Arguments of Their Cities—San Francisco and New Orleans the Contenders.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Representative Dyer, of Pennsylvania, chairman of the rules committee, soon after the house met today reported the special rule for consideration of the Panama exposition question. The rule put the selection of the city for the exposition squarely before the house. Advocates of San Francisco and New Orleans each had 20 minutes in which to set forth advantages of their cities.

The vote on the special rule practically decided which city won the exposition.

After the vote question relating to management and detail of the exposition were debated until a motion when the final vote was taken.

The climax of the exposition fight between New Orleans and San Francisco was the test of strength which has been held in substance for more than a year.

The lines were first drawn at the last session of congress and great pressure was brought to bear to obtain a vote at that time. Congress, however, decided that the question would be clarified if it was allowed to go over, and when the present session began the fight was reopened with more intensity than ever.

San Francisco's strength lay in the solid western vote, the powerful support of New England and New York, and the influence of the powerful Joseph Hearst in the fight, and other influences.

New Orleans derived her votes from the "solid South," from the Mississippi valley states and strove to extend her influence as far north as Wisconsin and Minnesota. She made her appeal on party and sectional lines.

New Orleans succeeded in gaining a majority of the house committee on industrial arts and expositions. In the meantime San Francisco ignored this committee, and her spokesman, Representative Kahn sent a resolution to the foreign affairs committee asking that resolution be adopted investigating all foreign nations to participate in the Panama-Pacific exposition.

The committee reported this resolution and the battle of jurisdiction was fought out before the house committee on rules last Wednesday when New Orleans won by a vote of 9 to 6.

NEW PRESIDING ELDER

Bishop Hendrix Names Rev. John Hall of Kingston

Raleigh, Jan. 31.—News was received in Raleigh yesterday that Bishop Hendrix had appointed Rev. John H. Hall, Methodist pastor at Kingston, to succeed the late Rev. W. L. Cunningham, as presiding elder of the Raleigh district Methodist church. Mr. Cunningham died shortly after entering upon his duties.

The Bishop has appointed Rev. F. S. Love to succeed Mr. Hall as pastor of the Methodist church at Kingston and has named Rev. J. J. Daily as Methodist pastor at Zebulon.

Mr. Hall is one of the most popular leaders among Methodist ministers of the state and has held a number of its best appointments. He was for four years presiding elder in the Elizabeth City district, and went from that work to become pastor of the Methodist church at Kingston, one of the best appointments in his church.

He expects to move to Raleigh and occupy the parsonage in a few days, and will enter upon his duties, beginning by holding quarterly conference at Youngville on February 4th and 5th.

HE ANSWER MADE GIVEN AN OVATION

Curdy Cheered by Cuban—May Try Again

CROSS FLORIDA STRAITS MONUMENT FOR WOMEN

He Smilingly Acknowledged the Mighty Ovation Given him by the Cubans on the Aviation Field—Speaks Encouragingly of his Effort—Now Holds Record.

Havana, Cuba, January 31.—A. D. McCurdy, the plucky Canadian aviator, who failed in his attempt to fly here from Key West Fla., after completing 100 miles of the 110 mile trip, was the feature of a large group of American potash consumers.

Despite numerous inaccuracies and misrepresentations, and despite the deliberate attempt of the syndicate to fool the real issue by abusive criticism of the schuldinnism who have consistently resisted the efforts of the syndicate to create artificial market conditions by establishing high prices, the statement as a whole is a practical admission of every claim made by the Americans.

The Potash Trust claims that the syndicate should be ignored by the American government, simply because high prices had been the uniform policy of the trust, and that any American who dared to buy potash at low prices during a temporary dissolution of the trust deserves to lose the benefits of such a purchase, even though it takes special ex post facto legislation to deprive him of his contract advantages.

The denial by the syndicate that the American contracts were "impaired" by the law seems hopelessly weak when it admits that without the law Americans would pay \$29 a ton for their potash, whereas under the law they must pay \$40 if they live up to their contract impaired by a law which doubles his purchase price, but it would take many more pages of argument than are contained in the syndicate's brief to convince an American of the correctness of the trust's position on this point.

"Much stress is laid on the threat of the German minister of commerce last July after the contracts were made that the German government would pass a law taxing the American contracts \$20 a ton unless the contracts were surrendered. The syndicate, however, deliberately refrains from any comment whatsoever upon the statement of the representative of the government potash mines on the night of June 30th, when desperate were being made to renew the syndicate prior to its expiration at midnight of that day.

"This representative of the government mines then served notice on the representatives of the other mines that if the syndicate was not recognized before midnight, his mines would immediately begin selling independently at the best prices obtainable.

"It was only after the American contracts had been secured by other than the government mines that the minister began his threats.

"The syndicate attempts to becloud the issue by reference to the fact that only 120,000 tons of potash were embraced in the purchases of the Americans, while the total American consumption is estimated at 200,000 tons, and pretends to believe that the buyers of remaining 80,000 tons are particularly happy at the so-called low price of \$34 a ton, which the syndicate is offering in its effort to demoralize the business of the American fertilizer manufacturers. This tonnage estimate is grossly inaccurate.

"The actual facts are that the American consumption has never reached 150,000 tons of potash annually, and if the syndicate sells 80,000 tons this year it will do so by selling to the consumers of American manufacturers at prices below the cost to the Americans who have to pay the tax. Possibly the buyers of this 80,000 tons from the syndicate this year will not be so happy over their future prospects when they receive the new price schedule now being put out by the trust. This advances their prices about \$4 a ton above the figures given in the brief.

"Apparently the syndicate has no relief to suggest except that the American contractors break their contracts with non-syndicate mines, forfeit all claims to the special low prices which they secured through these contracts, and pay the syndicate \$14 a ton more than they would have paid had no law been passed destroying the benefits obtainable from their contracts." The syndicate does not even point out how the Americans could escape damage suits from the independent mines who are the sellers under the contracts even if the Americans were disposed tamely to surrender to the syndicate.

"We believe that any impartial reader of the syndicate's brief must conclude that the potash tax law constitutes 'outrageous discrimination,' that it was enacted to destroy the value of American contracts, and that this action was taken in the interest of a monopoly in which German government is financially interested, and whose chief officer has always been an appointee of the Prussian government."

Prayermeeting

There will be prayermeeting services in all the different churches of the city this evening at the usual hour to which all are invited.

ADVERTISE IN THIS NEWS

THE BODY IS FOUND

James A. Cromartie Located in Swamp by Hunters

NO SIGN OF FOUL PLAY

Was Lying in Swamp Three Miles From Rockingham—No Signs of Foul Play—Georgia Man Who Disappeared At Hamlet Last November.

Rockingham, Jan. 31.—The body of James A. Cromartie was found today by hunters in a swamp three miles from here, two hundred yards from the home of a respectable negro farmer.

It was lying in the mud on the bank partly covered by water. The identification is complete, the pockets containing letters addressed to him and a pocket book containing \$25.

There are no signs of foul play. The body was examined by the county physician and coroner.

Mr. Cromartie was the father of Mrs. W. J. Pippin of this city. He disappeared mysteriously several weeks ago and since that time diligent search has been made for his whereabouts. Several detectives have been to work on the case—Ed.

To establish a lien for licensed livery stable keepers.

To repeal the law making employees of railroads violating the hours of labor regulation guilty of misdemeanor (unfavorable).

Penal institutions: To amend the penal relative to escapes.

Carr: To provide for a monument to the women of the Confederacy.

Battle: To regulate the venire in partition proceedings.

Ewart: Appropriating \$45,000 to the Stonewall Jackson Training School.

Cotton Market

Seed cotton, 5.60.
Lint Cotton, 14.35.
Cotton seed per ton, \$30.00.

The Next Number

The fifth number in the Lyceum course will be the Metropolitan Concert Company on the evening of February 10th, instead of the Central Grand Concert Company on February 8.

This attraction is destined to be one of the most attractive numbers yet presented in the present Lyceum Course. Every member is an artist.

LOOK OUT FOR No. 1

Never lose sight of the fact that you have your own way to make in the world and that no one feels disposed to help a man who does not help himself.

It is very pleasant to be a "good fellow" and spend money freely, but you will find many more people willing to accept your generosity than willing to help you when you need it.

Don't forget your own interests. Own your hope. I have four residences for sale at very reasonable prices, which will yield a good rate of interest on the investment also rapidly enhance in value.

N. R. ROBINSON,
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A SAWDUST BILL INTRODUCED

In the Senate

MONUMENT FOR WOMEN

Senator Graham, of Orange introduced out of order a bill to amend the constitution of North Carolina.

The bill requiring that medical and surgical appliances be kept at factories was reported by the judiciary committee with request that it go to the committee on public health.

The Hoke County Special Order. The bill to establish Hoke county out of portions of Cumberland and Robeson coming up as a special order at 12 o'clock today, turned out to be just about the liveliest proposition that the senate has yet had to deal with. It will be recalled that the hearing before the senate committee on counties, cities and towns last Tuesday (the house committee being present by invitation,) proved quite lively as the claims for and against the proposed county were being forcibly presented by the speakers.

And then, too, there were at the same time propositions to create North Robeson and Rowland counties out of Robeson, but no one looked upon this bill with any degree of seriousness, the Hoke county advocates stating that they were movements started simply for the purpose of side tracking the main issue—creating Hoke county.

After spending the entire afternoon and until a late hour last Tuesday night hearing the arguments the committee voted the next day to report favorably on the bill. The vote stood 10 to 5 and a minority report was also submitted. When the reports were made to the senate last Tuesday the matter was set for special order at noon today, but Senator Cobb of Robeson who has been leading the fight, and who, by the way, introduced the bills to create North Robeson and Rowland against Hoke county, was not ready for the senate to act and he made a motion yesterday to defer consideration until Thursday at noon.

This motion was lost by a vote of 27 to 10 and the matter came up today at 12 o'clock, the clerk reading the caption of the bill, which was reported favorably, the minority report being signed by Senators Pharr, Gardner, Thorne, Bassitt and Carpenter.

House

Agriculture: To amend the law regulating the test of meal.

Insurance: To safeguard revenues of insurance companies and to protect the people of the state; to amend the law relative to investments of insurance companies.

Judiciary: Resolution in relation to trusts (unfavorable)

THE GEM THEATRE

that will delight the most blasé of the theatregoers—they are the following:

PHAEDRA—A magnificent Greek play, beautifully acted, and wonderfully staged.

MILITARY CYCLISTS IN BELGIUM—An interesting educational film, putting before you a distinct novelty in connection with Military life.

THE WAY OF THE TRANSGRESSOR IS HARD—(Dramatic.)

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TROUBLES OF A FLIRT—Comedy.



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